MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : Then how is it that this man applied two or three months before the vacancy arose?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Expecting a vacancy he applied earlier.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*); Can anybody apply for vacancies which may occur some months or years hence ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Not *years* before. There is no objection to do it.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*); Will those applications be taken seriously by Government ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes; when the vacancies arise, they will be considered.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*) ; May I know whether in regard to appointments Government consider the priority of applications as a ground for appointment just as in the Land Revenue Department for registry of lands ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Medical Department has arranged applications according to the date on which they are received, and there is a waiting list.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*) ; May I know whether priority is taken into consideration in the Medical Department or any other Department for appointments?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Because there are many applicants in this Department, they arrange applications in their order and preference is given to prior applicants.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*) ; Am I to understand that priority does not obtain in any other Department ?

PRESIDENT: That dees not arise.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*) : Whether it is only the special feature of the Medical Department ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know whether any register is kept in the Durbar Physician's office in regard to the applicants ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know when this incumbent of the office passed his L. M. & S. Examination ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*); May I know whether priority in passing examinations is considered ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No, ordinarily priority of application is considered.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know whether, of the three applicants, one had applied for an Assistant Surgeon's post?

PRESIDENT : That does not arise.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Opening of a road from Eathamoly to Manakudy.

1. **MR. R. SIVASUBRAHMANYA NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state ;

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to open a road from Eathamoly to Manakudy ; and

(*b*) if so, whether an estimate has been prepared for the same ?

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MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*). (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The estimate is under preparation.

Karavillai Channel bank road.

2. MR. R. SIVASUBRAHMANYA NADAR (*Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there was any representation in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly for converting one of the banks of the Karavillai channel into a cart road ;

(*b*) whether there is any scheme to open a road from the 4th mile Kottar-Dharmapuram road to meet the Karavillai channel bank ; and

(*c*) if the answer to (*a*) and (*b*) be in the affiirmative, the further steps taken on the same ?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Reports have been received but no further action has been taken as there are more important roads to be given preference.

Recruitment of District Court Sirkar Vakils.

3. MR. R. SIVASUBRAHMANYA NADAR (*Agastiswaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of District Court Sirkar Vakils recruited after the year 1101 ;

(*b*) the number of applications received from the Nadar Christians of South Travancore ; and

(*c*) whether any one from the above community was appointed ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Five.

(*b*) Four.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

Appointment of Nadars in the Anchal and Forest Departments.

4. MR. R. SIVASUBRAHMANYA NADAR (*Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to furnish information regarding :

(*a*) the number of applications received during the years 1107 and 1108 from Nadars for appointments in —

1. The Anchal Department,

2. The Forest Department and

(*b*) the number of Nadars appointed in the departments mentioned in (*a*) ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*) A statement showing the number of applications received from Nadars and the number of Nadars appointed in the Anchal and Forest Departments during 1107 and 1108 is placed on the table.

Statement showing the number of Nadars appointed in the Anchal and Forst Departments during 1107 and 1108.

	Year.	*No. of applications received from Nadars.*	*No. of Nadars appointed*
Anchal Department	1107	5 (both Hindus and Christians).	5
	1108	1	1 (undergoing training).
Forest Department	1107	...	...
	1108	6	2

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